

**U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)
Veterans Health Administration (VHA)**

January 27, 2011 Enhanced Enrollment Window Frequently Asked Questions

1. I am a Veteran but don't know if this impacts me? Where can I go to find out more information?

You can visit www.va.gov/healtheligibility, call 1-877 222-VETS (8387), or visit/call your local VA facility's Enrollment Coordinator. A list of VA medical facilities can be found here http://www2.va.gov/directory/guide/division_flsh.asp?dnum=1.

2. I am Veteran already enrolled in VA care, do I need to do anything?

No. This only impacts Veterans who served in a theater of operations and discharged prior to January 28, 2003 who have yet to take the opportunity to enroll in VA's health care system.

3. Why is this window closing now?

The National Defense Authorization Act of 2008 provided an additional 3 year enhanced enrollment window for Veterans who served in a theater of operations and discharged prior to January 28, 2003 to enroll in VA's health care system. By law, this enhanced enrollment window expires January 27, 2011.

4. What are the advantages of enrolling now?

You would not be subject to VA's current enrollment restriction in place for higher income Veterans and be placed into Priority Group 6. After January 27, 2011 these Veterans will continue to enjoy enrollment in VA's health care system though their Priority Group may change based on other eligibility factors.

5. Can I still receive VA healthcare if I enroll later when the window closes?

Yes. You may apply for enrollment at anytime. However, certain Veterans may not be eligible for enrollment (for instance they do not have other eligibility such as service connected disability **and** they have higher incomes).

6. What are the differences between enrolling now and after the window closes?

You would be afforded enrollment in VA's health care system regardless of your income status. After the window closes your eligibility for enrollment may be dependent on your income status.

7. Who should I contact or what website should I visit for more information or to enroll?

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8. I served in the theater of operations but was discharged after January 28, 2003. Does this affect me?

No. Veterans discharged after January 28, 2003, still have 5 years from the date of their discharge or release from active duty to apply under VA's enhanced health care enrollment authority.

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